

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Radunsky, et al.

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Examiner: Drodge, Joseph W.

For: Method and System for Colloid Exchange Therapy

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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**Reply to Interview Summary Mailed October 11, 2007**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Interview Summary Mailed October 11, 2007, applicant responds as follows:

**Substance of the Interview**

- 1) Exhibits. No exhibits were shown or discussed.
- 2) Identification of claims discussed. As indicated in the Interview Summary, claims 17 and 24-44 were considered.
- 3) Identification of prior art discussed. The Roberts reference was discussed.
- 4) Identification of principal proposed amendments discussed. The amendments discussed were those introduced in applicant's response, to the office action mailed July 25, 2007 submitted on September 24, 2007.
- 5) Brief identification of general thrust of principal arguments presented to the examiner. As elaborated in the response to office action submitted on September 24, 2007, the Roberts reference does not teach the circuit, molecular weight cutoff, nor sieving functionality of the device as claimed.

6) General Indication of any other pertinent matters discussed. The restriction status of newly added claims 24-44 was discussed.

7) General results or outcome. Applicants agree with the Interview Summary with minor exceptions. No agreement regarding the circuit limitation was reached because agreement regarding the lack of molecular weight cutoff feature rendered this point moot with respect to the existence of anticipation. The Interview Summary indicates discussion of claim 1, but this claim is currently canceled. The Interview Summary also indicates agreement regarding the lack of a restriction requirement for newly added methods claims 24 – 44; however, the restriction decision is at the discretion of the Examiner. Applicants indicated a preference for the issuance of a restriction requirement.

Applicant submits that all claims pending in the application are allowable over the art of record. Early notice to that effect is respectfully solicited. Reconsideration of the application and issuance of a notice of allowance are respectfully requested. It is believed that no extension of time is required, but Applicant hereby petitions for and request that any extension or other fee required for timely consideration of this application be applied and charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4972. The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned if any matters remain outstanding so that they may be resolved expeditiously.

Respectfully submitted,

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